

RAINEY ASSAILED  
ON HOUSE FLOORRepublican's Resent Charge  
Relative to Panama Deal.

## 'BLACKMAILERS' SCORED

Illinois Member Absent—Promises Proof of Accusations.

Loving, of Massachusetts, Declares Charges Were Given to Mr. Rainey by Men Working for Downfall of William Nelson Cromwell and Charles P. Taft, and that They Have No Foundation in Fact.

Assailing Representative Henry T. Rainey, of Illinois, for his speeches in the House in which he criticized William Nelson Cromwell, Charles P. Taft, and President Obidiah, of Panama, for an alleged wrong-doing incident to the Panama Canal purchase, speeches were made in the House yesterday by Representatives Loving, of Massachusetts; Olcott, of New York; McCreary, of Pennsylvania, and Bannan, of Ohio.

Each of the three members declared the utterances of the Illinois member were without foundation, and at times resorted to personal utterance relative to Mr. Rainey, to which the Democratic members took exception.

When Mr. Loving's speech was begun Mr. Rainey was absent. He had started to Baltimore to fill an engagement at the Lincoln memorial exercises. At the request of Representative John Wesley Gaines Mr. Loving stopped in the middle of his speech until Mr. Rainey, who in the meantime had been caught at the Union Station, returned to the House.

## Rainey Will Reply.

Mr. Rainey stated that he could not make a reply yesterday afternoon, because he was compelled to leave the city, but said he would speak in reference to the charges against him at the first opportunity. He left about 3 o'clock, and the speeches of Mr. Olcott and Mr. McCreary were delivered.

The charge was made by Representative Loving that Representative Rainey secured from the New York World information regarding Panama Canal affairs, which formed the subject of Mr. Rainey's speech, in which William Nelson Cromwell and Charles P. Taft were described as members of a syndicate organized to exploit timber and other resources of Panama.

"It may be," said Mr. Loving, "the World did not originate all the scandalous stories it published, but its columns were public, and we do know that the World did give credence and circulation to them."

## Known Perpetrators.

Mr. Loving declared that "the method of perpetration of these false statements is known, and the story of their origin reveals a chapter in the history of blackmailing that is rare in the annals of crime. These gentlemen are known. Their names are known; their aliases are known; their haunts are known, and their plans are known."

"Does the gentleman object to stating who they are?" inquired Representative Burleson, of Texas.

Mr. Loving protested that he was laboring under difficulty because of the absence of Mr. Rainey from the chamber. He admitted that he did not notify the Illinois member that he was to speak on the subject.

"I want to say," he said, "that these men have been run down and brought to book, and it turns out that many of them are ex-convicts, and that they stand a good chance of returning to the penitentiary."

Mr. Loving was asked by Mr. Shackelford, of Missouri, for information as to who the convicts were, but Mr. Loving would go no further, stating that before long they would be produced in court. Their names, he said, had been brought before the grand jury, both at Washington and New York, and that at the proper time would become known to the general public.

## Mr. Shackelford Questions.

"How do you happen to be familiar with the secrets of the grand jury?" Mr. Shackelford asked. Before Mr. Loving could answer, Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, inquired if he was not a warm personal friend of William Nelson Cromwell. Mr. Loving admitted that he was.

Responding to questions by Mr. Shackelford, Mr. Loving said he personally was not a client of Mr. Cromwell's, but that he was a member of a corporation that had retained his services. He refused to say how long Mr. Cromwell had been so employed, merely stating that he was not putting himself in a position of being interrogated by a court of justice.

Further referring to Mr. Rainey, Mr. Loving added that "this gentleman has been made a victim, or he is too willing to asperse such fair names as those of Charles P. Taft, Douglas Robinson, William Nelson Cromwell, Roger Farnum, and several others."

It was, he said, a "shameless prostitution" of the privilege of free speech which members enjoyed on the floor of the House. For this utterance Mr. Loving was promptly called to order by Mr. Lawrence, of Massachusetts, who was in the chair, and admonished that he should observe the rules in regard to the use of personalities.

Mr. Loving protested that he had mentioned no names except that of Mr. Rainey and those which had been spoken of in the House and in the public press. "Dirty Stories."

Mr. Loving said that "dirty stories" about Panama involving the integrity of honorable men were offered for sale during the last campaign to the Democratic National Committee. To the credit of the Democratic leaders, he said, they refused to sanction such publications. Members

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## WEATHER FORECAST

For the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia—Rain to-day. To-morrow colder and generally fair; light to moderate southwesterly winds becoming northwesterly to-night.

## HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.

## TELEGRAPHIC.

1—Roosevelt Talks on Lincoln.  
1—Mrs. Edwin McCook Killed by Auto.  
1—King Edward Pleased with Visit.  
1—Crosby Banquet for Taft.  
1—Ambassadors Speak at Springfield.  
10—News of Alexandria.

## LOCAL.

1—Lincoln Day Observed in City.  
1—Rainey Assailed in House.  
1—Bar to Knox Vanishing.  
2—Medals Donated for Police.  
1—Sims Plans Natural Gas Bill.  
5—Y. M. C. A. Holds Reception.

## LARGEST TUMOR KNOWN.

Ben Hurlig Lying at Point of Death at His Home.

New York, Feb. 12.—Ben Hurlig, of the theatrical firm of Hurlig &amp; Seamon, lies at the point of death at his home, 2385 Seventh avenue. Though a young man, Mr. Hurlig has been doomed for three years, and has known it.

Dr. A. E. Tull, his physician, said to-day that the malignant tumor on Mr. Hurlig's hip, which is causing his death, was pronounced by Dr. Bull to be the largest in the history of medical science. Mr. Hurlig's vitality is a marvel to the persons who attend him.

## MRS. LONGWORTH PRESENT.

President's Daughter Aids in Michigan Corner Stone Laying.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 12.—The ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new Federal building this afternoon attracted a large society contingent, for the principal figure was Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth.

Since the ceremonies were conducted by the Michigan Grand Lodge of Masons, Mrs. Longworth could play no active part. But she stood in the center of the platform, arrayed in a handsome gown, and when the time came handed to Grand Master Herbert Montague a silver trowel, with which the mortar was applied to the stone.

A proposition to make Mrs. Longworth a union bricklayer for this occasion failed.

## KING IS PLEASED WITH VISIT.

Cardinal and Smiling Farewells Exchanged with Kaiser at Berlin.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—Without military display or other pageantry, King Edward and Queen Alexandra started for home this evening. The Kaiser, Prince Henry of Prussia, and King Edward went to the railway station in an automobile, and the Kaiser and Queen Alexandra followed.

There were a considerable number of onlookers, and they cheered the Kaiser and his departing guests. A large gathering of notables had assembled at the station, where cordial and smiling farewells were exchanged.

King Edward's last words at the door of his saloon-coach were: "We have had such a pleasant visit. Auf Wiedersehen!"

## King Edward Pleased.

London, Feb. 12.—A semi-official statement issued to-night says that King Edward is extremely pleased by his hearty reception by all classes in Berlin, and is delighted with the success of his visit.

The result of the political conversations between the British and German statesmen is regarded on the British side as most satisfactory. It is believed that they will have an excellent effect on international relations.

Chancellor von Buelow was assured that Great Britain heartily approved the Franco-German agreement regarding Morocco as tending to foster good feeling between France and Germany, and thereby materially influencing the consolidation of British and German friendship. Germany was also assured that Great Britain's policy in the near East was directed at the maintenance of peace and the status quo, and Chancellor von Buelow gave the welcome assurance that Germany's aim there is identical with that of Great Britain.

## RAINEY TO ANSWER LOVERING.

"Annals Club" Member Satisfied with Source of His Information.

Baltimore, Feb. 12.—Representative Rainey, who was here this afternoon to speak at the Lincoln centennial held under the auspices of the German-American Lincoln Club, was asked what reply he would make to the statements of Representative Loving. He replied:

"The information upon which I based my accusations I received from absolutely reliable sources, and I will reply to Mr. Loving and everybody who speaks in the same manner at the very earliest opportunity on the floor of the House. The statements of Loving bristle with falsehoods. I did not have the slightest information from the sources he mentions, but I repeat, from sources absolutely reliable."

## FOUND DYING ON MOUNTAIN.

Mystery in Death of George Dodson on Blue Ridge.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
Luray, Va., Feb. 12.—After being found in a dying condition and carried to a farmhouse near by, George Dodson, aged forty years, died yesterday in Rappahannock County. Dodson was found on what is known as the "Hazeltop," a spur of the Blue Ridge, and when discovered was supposed to be under the influence of liquor. Later the symptoms shown by Dodson indicated that he was also laboring under the influence of some poison.

He was unable to give any intelligent account of his condition, and soon after he died his stomach was removed and sent to Washington for analysis.

To-day at Sloan's, 1407 G. St. A lot of desirable household and office furniture will be sold at Sloan's, 1407 G. St., to-day at 10 a. m., including a marble-topped stand, etc., and at 12 m. a fine brougham, harness, saddle, etc., all withdrawn. Dealers and private buyers invited.

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PAID HIGH TRIBUTE  
TO MARTYR'S LIFE

President and Others Speak on Lincoln Centenary.

## THEME IS NATION-WIDE

Corner Stone of Memorial Hall Is Laid on Lincoln Farm.

Marble Structure Will Shelter Little Log Cabin Where the Emancipator Was Born—Distinguished Men Enlarge His Life and Career—Veterans Who Fought on Both Sides During the War Are Present.

Lincoln Farm, Hodgenville, Ky., Feb. 12.—The President of the United States, Gov. Folk, of Missouri, and Gov. Wilson, of Kentucky, and scores of the distinguished guests participated here to-day in the exercises incident to the laying of the corner stone of Lincoln Memorial Hall.

On the spot where once stood the log cabin in which the emancipator was born there will arise a beautiful structure of stone and marble, which shall stand as a permanent monument to the memory of Lincoln, and a shrine to which his devotees may go on pilgrimages in the future.

The drizzling rain which fell nearly all morning marred the occasion to some extent.

Long before the exercises began the tent which had been erected to shelter the crowd was filled with spectators, and the muddy road leading from Hodgenville to the farm was alive with vehicles of every description. The President and party were driven in a carriage from Hodgenville Station to the farm.

## President Wildly Cheered.

President Roosevelt and the guests of the occasion, escorted by the mounted police and the Louisville troopers, reached the grounds at 12:15 p. m. He was wildly cheered. When the President took his place on the speaker's stand there were fully 5,000 present, and the cheering was renewed.

The President, Mrs. Roosevelt, and Miss Ethel Roosevelt were accompanied to the stand by Gov. Folk, Gov. Wilson, Gen. Wright, and Gen. Grant Wilson. The band was playing the "Star Spangled Banner" and "My Old Kentucky Home." Mrs. Wilson also occupied a place on the stand.

The only incident of the President's trip over to the farm was the breaking of the harness on one of the horses of the carriage containing Capt. Farley, State treasurer, Attorney General Breckinridge, and several others. Nobody was hurt, however, and the procession was not long delayed.

Rev. E. L. Powell, of Louisville, delivered the invocation, and Gov. Wilson acted as master of ceremonies. Gov. Folk was the first speaker of the occasion, and after welcoming the guests, launched into an eloquent tribute to the memory of Lincoln. After that, Gov. Wilson, President Roosevelt, and the widest applause. Here was a loud call of "we can't see you."

## Mounts a Chair.

The President thereupon mounted a chair, to the great delight of the crowd, saying:

"If you hear me, you can see me."

The President created a great laugh when he declared before beginning his speech: "There stands a Republican governor of Kentucky which State went Democratic at the last election and a former Democratic governor of Missouri, which State at the last election went Republican."

There was wild cheering when he declared that his Secretary of War was a Confederate veteran who people declared did not belong to his political party.

## The President's Address.

In part, President Roosevelt spoke as follows: "We have met here to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth of one of the two greatest Americans; of one of the two or three greatest men of the nineteenth century; of one of the greatest men in the world's history."

"This rail-splitter, this boy who passed his unglorious youth in the dreary poverty of the poorest of the frontier folk, whose rise was by weary and painful labor, lived to lead his people through the burning flames of a struggle from which the nation emerged, purified as by fire, born anew to a loftier life. After long years of iron effort and of failure that came more often than victory, he at last rose to the leadership of the republic at the moment when that leadership had become the stupendous world-task of the time."

"He grew to know greatness, but never ceased. Success came to him, but never happiness, save that which springs from doing well a painful and a vital task. Power was his, but not pleasure."

## Alike in Essentials.

"As a people, we are indeed beyond measure fortunate in the characters of the two greatest of our public men—Washington and Lincoln. Widely though they differed in externals, the Virginia landed gentleman and the Kentucky backwoodsman, they were alike in essentials, they were alike in the great qualities which rendered each able to render service to his nation and to all mankind such as no other man of his generation could or did render."

"Each had lofty ideals, but each in striving to attain these lofty ideals was guided by the soundest common sense. Each possessed inflexible courage in adversity and a soul wholly unspiced by prosperity. Each possessed all the gentler virtues commonly exhibited by good men who lack rugged strength of character."

"Widely though the problems of to-day differ from the problems set for solution to Washington when he founded this nation, to Lincoln when he saved it and freed the slave, yet the qualities they showed in meeting these problems are exactly the same as those we should show in doing our work to-day."

Following the address by the President, Gov. Wilson, of Kentucky, spoke in behalf of the nation.

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Special prices for inaugural stands.

## FLOW OF LAVA AT COLIMA.

Inhabitants Flee from Villages Near the Mexican Volcano.

Mexico City, Feb. 12.—The people of the vicinity of Colima volcano are greatly terrorized by an eruption of unusual violence of that mountain, according to dispatches received here from points in that section.

It is stated that a pillar of fire shot from the crater several hundred feet into the air, and that there was a heavy fall of ashes in the towns of Colima, Tuxpan, and other near-by places. Many people fled to the hills.

The flames have started forest fires upon the sides of the mountain, and property is endangered. An enormous flow of lava is reported. The small villages at the base of the mountain have been deserted by their inhabitants.

## FEAR LOCAL OPTION.

Business Men Declare Depression Follows "Dry" Victory.

Logansport, Ind., Feb. 12.—The fact that the temperance people are circulating petitions in this country for the calling of a local option election, caused four of Logansport's business men to visit Decatur and Champagne, Ill., in order to learn what effect local option has on business interests. Three are proprietors of the city's dry goods stores and the other a leading druggist.

The report, which has been submitted to the Business Men's Association, says there has been a business depression in both places, and that the business men are anxious for a return to the old conditions.

MRS. EDWIN MCCOOK  
KILLED BY AN AUTO

Sister-in-law of Col. Anson G. McCook Run Down.

## ODD FEATURES TO TRAGEDY

Injured Woman Brought to Home by Strangers Who Give Pictorial Names—None Knows Where Accident Occurred—Victim Resided in Chicago—Wintered in New Jersey.

New York, Feb. 12.—Mrs. E. H. McCook, sixty years old, widow of Gen. Edwin S. McCook, died this afternoon at the residence of her brother-in-law, Col. Anson G. McCook, of injuries which she sustained by being run over by an automobile.

The strangest feature of the tragedy was that no one could be found who would own to knowing how or where Mrs. McCook suffered the injury that killed her. The first information came to the corner's office in the form of a telephone message from Dr. D. S. Byard, of East Seventeenth street, who telephoned to say that, as a result of being knocked down and run over by an automobile, Mrs. McCook had just died at the Anson McCook home, in West Fifty-fourth street.

## Her Home in Chicago.

At the McCook home a reporter subsequently obtained these details: Mrs. McCook, whose home was in Chicago, had been spending the winter in Englewood, N. J., with friends. Her daughter was visiting at Col. Anson McCook's house. Mrs. McCook came to New York to-day, intending to take luncheon at the McCook home. By appointment she met her niece, Col. McCook's daughter, somewhere up town, and they paid a social call.

About 11 o'clock they started for the sixth street and Central Park West, Miss McCook came downtown to shop, while her aunt intended to cross Central Park to Madison avenue, come on a Madison avenue car to Fifty-fourth street, and thence afoot to the house.

She did not arrive at the appointed time, and her daughter and Miss McCook were becoming uneasy, when an automobile drove up to the house.

## Fall to Question Men.

Two men, one dressed as a chauffeur, lifted Mrs. McCook out of the automobile and brought her indoors in her arms. She was unconscious, and evidently badly hurt. In their grief and excitement the two young women naturally failed to question these men closely. The visitors stayed just long enough to say that Mrs. McCook had been run down by an automobile somewhere in Madison avenue, presumably while she was changing street cars.

Having told this much, the two men hurried out, jumped into their automobile, and drove rapidly away. They gave names and addresses which, the police said later, had proved to be fictitious.

## GIRL ENDS HER LIFE.

Depressed Over Study, ex-Magistrate's Daughter Inhabits Gas.

Pelham, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Depressed over study, Florence Wahle, daughter of former Magistrate Charles S. Wahle, committed suicide this afternoon in an attic room of her home in Pelham by inhaling gas. Magistrate Wahle returned early in the afternoon, and making an investigation, discovered gas coming from one of the rooms.

He broke open the door and found his daughter lying on the bed close to death. A physician was hurriedly called, and worked over the girl for an hour, but she died.

## MEN SOLD AS "WHITE SLAVES."

Effort of Church to Aid Unemployed Not a Success.

New York, Feb. 12.—About forty men looking for jobs, some of them gray-haired, and all with their faces hidden behind long black masks, consented to appear in the role of "White Slaves," at the Parkside Presbyterian Church, in Flatbush, this evening.

W. E. T. O'Loughlin, the author of the scheme, played the part of auctioneer, and pretended to sell them to the highest bidder. There were five bidders, and they promised to give five of the men behind the masks some kind of employment.

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## MARK FIRST CENTENARY

Glowing Eulogies Are Delivered in Masonic Temple.

North and South, Even All the Americans, Clasp Hands in Common Tribute—Local Observance Benefits Capital of Nation—Famous Speakers Tell of the Rail-splitter's Life and Great Achievements.

Nation-wide in scope, bringing together in united tribute all classes and conditions of men, the centenary of Abraham Lincoln's birth was celebrated yesterday.

Washington, the scene of his mighty achievements and of his martyrdom, observed the day in a manner befitting the Capital of the Nation, and rendered unto the Emancipator so catholic and beautiful a tribute that it gave new significance to the words, "There is no North and there is no South; there is a common cause and a common country."

Not merely the North and the South clasped hands in the observance of the day, but all the Americas.

Ambassador Nabuco, of Brazil, was the spokesman of Latin America, and he attested Lincoln's mighty influence toward setting the slaves free in that country.

For the South, Thomas Nelson Page spoke, and never has Southerner delivered so just and comprehensive an appreciation of the chief of the nation's heroes. Moreover, he claimed Lincoln for Virginia's own, and gave strong proof that he possessed Southern blood.

## Intimate Side Shown.

The venerable former Senator, John B. Henderson, whose career is intertwined with that of the Emancipator, although, in his own words, "he owned slaves and represented a slave-owning State," made an eloquent address, dwelling upon the intimate side of Lincoln.

Speaker Cannon characterized it as one of the truest delineations of Lincoln's character he had ever heard, and hoped that it would be preserved for the benefit of the Nation.

Many a voice was raised in Washington yesterday—the eloquent and the plain-spoken, the clerical and the lay, some spoke for great masses of men and for great individuals, and others spoke for themselves. The response was equally sincere and glowing, whether it came from dainty kid-gloved hands or the horny hands of the sons of toil.

The official observance of the day was held in the Masonic Temple in the afternoon, where possibly the largest gathering which has yet assembled in that auditorium.

Under the leadership of Commissioner Macfarland, a programme of great breadth and catholicity was carried out, among the speakers being Justice Wendell Phillips, Stafford, of the Supreme Court, of the District of Columbia; Thomas Nelson Page, Joseph G. Cannon, Speaker of the House of Representatives; former Senator John B. Henderson, who penned the fourteenth amendment of the Constitution abolishing slavery; and Joaquim Nabuco, Ambassador of Brazil.

Many of the churches, rich and humble, held services, among them the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, the Washington Hebrew Congregation, and St. Agnes' Church.

Organized labor paid appropriate tribute in the Central Labor Union last evening, among the speakers being President Gompers, T. V. Powderly, of the Bureau of Immigration, Department of Commerce and Labor, and Senators La Follette and Gore.

## Societies Pay Honor.

The Military Order of the Loyal Legion gave a banquet at Rauscher's, and many other posts and societies of the veterans of the civil conflict paid honor to their great leader.

A large number of small clubs and societies did not let the holiday pass without combining amusement and memorial exercises for the benefit of their members.

Prominent among those who spoke were those venerable inhabitants with an "I-knew-Lincoln" theme, rich in anecdote and story. Washington is studied with "old-timers" whose paths crossed those of the martyred President during his eventful career in the Capital, and of the halcyon past they brought forth many a plain and commonplace incident, which in the perspective of nearly half a century reveal the true greatness of the man.

The day was an inspiration to young and old, and emphasized the fact that the time is ripe for the building of a great national memorial to Lincoln in this city as the final tribute of the American people.

Although declaring that a memorial would not add one inch to the stature of Lincoln as a national character, Speaker Cannon placed himself on record as favoring a great memorial in Washington at the Masonic Temple observance.

"I am heartily in sympathy with the movement to perpetuate his memory with monuments for the benefit of the living," said the Speaker. "Lincoln was the greatest character of all. He was a plain, simple man, like unto the Master in many respects. By birth and by struggle he came to know what the great mass of the plain people believed."

"He said that emancipation was only a question of time, but he was wise enough not to go too far in advance of the people in pressing his belief. They say he was a great story teller, and clown, and tyrant. You cannot find one word in all his speeches that was malicious. He appreciated the universe."

"I believe there is more patriotism, intelligence, and earnest effort to-day in the United States than ever before. Never."

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## CARDINAL GIBBONS' TRIBUTE.

"I have had the privilege of knowing Mr. Taft for several years, and the more I have known him the more I have learned to honor and esteem him."

"In common with so many of my fellow-citizens, I have been captivated by the smile that gleams on his countenance—the smile that will not go out, because it comes from the heart, from Christian benevolence, and overflows with the milk of human kindness."

"The people of the United States have elected to the high office of President a man whose devotion to his country will not be restrained by party lines or by narrow personal or sectarian policies."

"He will be President of the entire country, and I am sure that he will administer the affairs of this great country with even-handed and impartial justice."

## FATHER SHERMAN BETTER.

Rector Suffering from Physical Breakdown Due to Overwork.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Rev. Thomas E. Sherman, son of Gen. William T. Sherman, is ill at St. Joseph's Hospital, suffering from physical breakdown, due to overwork, but was much improved to-day.

Father Sherman started a few months ago to travel over the course made by his father in the famous "march to the sea." President Roosevelt detailed a troop of cavalry to act as an escort. The journey aroused much unfavorable criticism in the South. It was denounced as an act likely to awaken old hatreds. The trip was abandoned before 300 miles had been traveled.

## ALARM IN LIBERIA.

State Department Advised Foreign Officials Think Conditions Grave.

The State Department was informed by cable yesterday that conditions in Liberia are grave, and that great alarm is felt by foreign officials in Liberian employ.

A British gunboat has arrived to afford protection to foreign interests, and a company of soldiers has been sent from Sierra Leone, to Monrovia for the same purpose.

Apparently, great despondency is entertained as to the ability of the government to maintain itself and as to the future of Liberia as a nation.

## WIRELESS FROM FLEET.

Admiral Sperry Sends Message Received by Tender Yankton.

Rear Admiral Sperry, commanding the Atlantic battle-ship fleet, reported to the Navy Department by wireless yesterday that the fleet was in latitude 34:35 north, and longitude 30:19 west.

This is about 130 miles southwest of Fayal, in the Azores. Admiral Sperry said that the fleet was having good weather and was making an average speed of ten and one-half knots.

The message from Admiral Sperry was relayed by the tender Yankton, which is in mid-ocean, about 1,000 miles ahead of the fleet. The Yankton transmitted it to the wireless station at Fire Island, a distance of about 900 miles.

## FLEEING DIPLOMAT CAPTURED.

Herr Becker Arrested on Charge of Murder and Robbery.

Santiago de Chile, Feb. 12.—Herr Becker, who was until a few days ago chancellor of the German legation here, has been arrested at Chillan on a charge of murder and robbery.

On February 6 the German legation building was destroyed by fire. In the ruins was found a body, which was at first believed to be Becker's. Later it was found to be that of a servant, although it was attired in clothes that had been Becker's. It was also found that the legation safe had been robbed of a large sum of money, and that the servant had been murdered with a knife, and that Becker had disappeared. A warrant was then issued. The sum missing from the legation's safe is \$3,323.

## BURGLAR INVADERS HOUSE.

Knocks Woman Down Flight of Steps and Escapes.

A burglar invaded the home of Frank Dodson, of 1217 South Capitol street, last night, and after stealing \$40 from a room on the second floor made his escape by knocking Mrs. Dodson down a flight of steps as she was leading three small children to bed. The woman held a lamp in her hand, and this was knocked to the floor. The lamp was shattered, leaving the hallway in darkness, and the intruder escaped through the front door.

Mrs. Dodson told neighbors of the robbery, and the police of the Fourth precinct were notified. News of the attack on Mrs. Dodson spread rapidly, and in a few minutes twenty or more men were searching the house and the vicinity for the intruder. Lieut. Flathers, of the Fourth precinct; Sergt. Kilmartin, and Bicycle